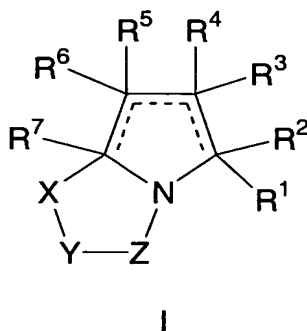


In the claims:

1. (Original) A compound of Formula I:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof, wherein

a is 0 or 1;
 b is 0 or 1;
 m is 0, 1, or 2;
 n is 0 or 1;
 r is 0 or 1;
 s is 0 or 1;
 u is 2, 3, 4 or 5;

a dashed line represents an optional double bond, provided that one and only one double bond is present in the ring;

X is selected from $-\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{SO}_2-$ and $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-$;

Y is selected from: O, $\text{N}(\text{R}^c)$, S, $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-$, $-\text{CH}(\text{R}^8)-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}^c)\text{C}(=\text{O})-$ and $-\text{N}(\text{R}^c)\text{CH}(\text{R}^8)-$;
 or

X and Y are combined to form $-\text{C}(\text{R}^8)=\text{C}(\text{R}^8)-$;

Z is selected from: $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-$, $-\text{C}(=\text{S})-$, $-\text{SO}_2-$ and $-\text{C}(\text{R}^8)(\text{R}^9)-$,

R^1 and R^5 are independently selected from:

- 1) aryl,
- 2) $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ aralkyl,

3) C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl, and

4) heterocyclyl,

said aryl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹⁰;

R², R³, R⁴, R⁶ and R⁷ are independently selected from:

1) H,

2) C₁-C₁₀ alkyl,

3) aryl,

4) C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl,

5) C₂-C₁₀ alkynyl,

6) C₁-C₆ perfluoroalkyl,

7) C₁-C₆ aralkyl,

8) C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl, and

9) heterocyclyl,

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹⁰; or

R³ and R⁴ attached to the same carbon atom are combined to form -(CH₂)_u- wherein one of the carbon atoms is optionally replaced by a moiety selected from O, S(O)_m,

-N(R^a)C(O)-, -N(R^b)- and -N(COR^a)-;

R⁸ and R⁹ is independently selected from:

1) H,

2) (C=O)_aO_bC₁-C₁₀ alkyl,

3) (C=O)_aO_baryl,

4) C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl,

5) C₂-C₁₀ alkynyl,

6) (C=O)_aO_b heterocyclyl,

7) CO₂H,

8) halo,

9) CN,

10) OH,

11) O_bC₁-C₆ perfluoroalkyl,

- 12) $O_a(C=O)_bNR^{12}R^{13}$,
- 13) $S(O)_mR^a$,
- 14) $S(O)_2NR^{12}R^{13}$,
- 15) CHO ,
- 16) $(N=O)R^{12}R^{13}$, and
- 17) $(C=O)_aO_bC_3-C_8$ cycloalkyl,

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R^{11} ;

R^{10} is independently selected from:

- 1) $(C=O)_aO_bC_1-C_{10}$ alkyl,
- 2) $(C=O)_aO_b$ aryl,
- 3) C_2-C_{10} alkenyl,
- 4) C_2-C_{10} alkynyl,
- 5) $(C=O)_aO_b$ heterocyclyl,
- 6) CO_2H ,
- 7) halo,
- 8) CN ,
- 9) OH ,
- 10) $O_bC_1-C_6$ perfluoroalkyl,
- 11) $O_a(C=O)_bNR^{12}R^{13}$,
- 12) $S(O)_mR^a$,
- 13) $S(O)_2NR^{12}R^{13}$,
- 14) oxo,
- 15) CHO ,
- 16) $(N=O)R^{12}R^{13}$,
- 17) $(C=O)_aO_bC_3-C_8$ cycloalkyl, and
- 18) $-OPO(OH)_2$;

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R^{11} ;

R^{11} is selected from:

- 1) $(C=O)_rO_s(C_1-C_{10})$ alkyl,
- 2) $O_r(C_1-C_3)$ perfluoroalkyl,

- 3) $(C_0-C_6)\text{alkylene-S(O)}_mR^a$,
- 4) oxo,
- 5) OH,
- 6) halo,
- 7) CN,
- 8) $(C=O)_rO_s(C_2-C_{10})\text{alkenyl}$,
- 9) $(C=O)_rO_s(C_2-C_{10})\text{alkynyl}$,
- 10) $(C=O)_rO_s(C_3-C_6)\text{cycloalkyl}$,
- 11) $(C=O)_rO_s(C_0-C_6)\text{alkylene-aryl}$,
- 12) $(C=O)_rO_s(C_0-C_6)\text{alkylene-heterocyclyl}$,
- 13) $(C=O)_rO_s(C_0-C_6)\text{alkylene-N(R}^b)_2$,
- 14) $C(O)R^a$,
- 15) $(C_0-C_6)\text{alkylene-CO}_2R^a$,
- 16) $C(O)H$,
- 17) $(C_0-C_6)\text{alkylene-CO}_2H$,
- 18) $C(O)N(R^b)_2$,
- 19) $S(O)_mR^a$,
- 20) $S(O)_2N(R^b)_2$ and
- 21) $-OPO(OH)_2$;

said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkylene and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with up to three substituents selected from R^b , OH, $(C_1-C_6)\text{alkoxy}$, halogen, CO_2H , CN, $O(C=O)C_1-C_6$ alkyl, oxo, and $N(R^b)_2$;

R^{12} and R^{13} are independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) $(C=O)O_bC_1-C_{10}$ alkyl,
- 3) $(C=O)O_bC_3-C_8$ cycloalkyl,
- 4) $(C=O)O_b\text{aryl}$,
- 5) $(C=O)O_b\text{heterocyclyl}$,
- 6) C_1-C_{10} alkyl,
- 7) aryl,
- 8) C_2-C_{10} alkenyl,
- 9) C_2-C_{10} alkynyl,
- 10) heterocyclyl,

- 11) C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl,
- 12) SO₂R^a, and
- 13) (C=O)NR^b₂,

said alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, alkenyl, and alkynyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹¹, or

R¹² and R¹³ can be taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached to form a monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle with 3-7 members in each ring and optionally containing, in addition to the nitrogen, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from N, O and S, said monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹¹;

R¹⁴ is independently selected from:

- 1) (C=O)_aO_bC₁-C₁₀ alkyl,
- 2) (C=O)_aO_baryl,
- 3) C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl,
- 4) C₂-C₁₀ alkynyl,
- 5) (C=O)_aO_b heterocyclyl,
- 6) CO₂H,
- 7) halo,
- 8) CN,
- 9) OH,
- 10) O_bC₁-C₆ perfluoroalkyl,
- 11) O_a(C=O)_bNR¹²R¹³,
- 12) S(O)_mR^a,
- 13) S(O)₂NR¹²R¹³,
- 14) oxo,
- 15) CHO,
- 16) (N=O)R¹²R¹³,
- 17) (C=O)_aO_bC₃-C₈ cycloalkyl, and
- 18) -OPO(OH)₂;

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹¹;

R^a is (C₁-C₆)alkyl, (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl, aryl, or heterocyclyl, optionally substituted with one to three substituents selected from R¹⁴;

R^b is H, (C₁-C₆)alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl, (C=O)OC₁-C₆ alkyl, (C=O)C₁-C₆ alkyl or S(O)₂R^a, optionally substituted with one to three substituents selected from R¹⁴;

R^c and R^{c'} are independently selected from: H, (C₁-C₆)alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl and (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl, optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹⁰, or

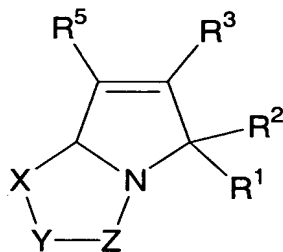
R^c and R^{c'} can be taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached to form a monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle with 3-7 members in each ring and optionally containing, in addition to the nitrogen, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from N, O and S, said monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹;

R^d and R^{d'} are independently selected from: (C₁-C₆)alkyl, (C₁-C₆)alkoxy and NR^b₂, or

R^d and R^{d'} can be taken together with the phosphorous to which they are attached to form a monocyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members the ring and optionally containing, in addition to the phosphorous, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from NR^e, O and S, said monocyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹; and

R^e is selected from: H and (C₁-C₆)alkyl.

2. (Original) The compound according to Claim 1 of the Formula II:



II

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof,

wherein:

a is 0 or 1;
b is 0 or 1;
m is 0, 1, or 2;
n is 0 or 1;
r is 0 or 1;
s is 0 or 1;

X is selected from $-\text{CH}_2-$ and $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$;

Y is selected from: O, $\text{N}(\text{R}^c)$, S, $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-$, $-\text{CH}(\text{R}^8)-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}^c)\text{C}(=\text{O})-$ and $-\text{N}(\text{R}^c)\text{CH}(\text{R}^8)-$;

Z is selected from: $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-$, $-\text{C}(=\text{S})-$, $-\text{SO}_2-$ and $-\text{C}(\text{R}^8)(\text{R}^9)-$,

R^1 and R^5 are independently selected from:

- 1) aryl,
- 2) C_1 - C_6 aralkyl,
- 3) C_3 - C_8 cycloalkyl, and
- 4) heterocyclyl,

said aryl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R^{10} ;

R^2 and R^3 are independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) C_1 - C_{10} alkyl,
- 3) aryl,
- 4) C_2 - C_{10} alkenyl,
- 5) C_2 - C_{10} alkynyl,
- 6) C_1 - C_6 perfluoroalkyl,
- 7) C_1 - C_6 aralkyl,
- 8) C_3 - C_8 cycloalkyl, and
- 9) heterocyclyl,

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹⁰;

R⁸ and R⁹ is independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) (C=O)_aO_bC₁-C₁₀ alkyl,
- 3) (C=O)_aO_baryl,
- 4) (C=O)_aO_b heterocyclyl,
- 5) CO₂H,
- 6) halo,
- 7) CN,
- 8) OH,
- 9) O_bC₁-C₆ perfluoroalkyl,
- 10) O_a(C=O)_bNR¹²R¹³, and
- 11) (C=O)_aO_bC₃-C₈ cycloalkyl,

said alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹¹;

R¹⁰ is independently selected from:

- 1) (C=O)_aO_bC₁-C₁₀ alkyl,
- 2) (C=O)_aO_baryl,
- 3) C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl,
- 4) C₂-C₁₀ alkynyl,
- 5) (C=O)_aO_b heterocyclyl,
- 6) CO₂H,
- 7) halo,
- 8) CN,
- 9) OH,
- 10) O_bC₁-C₆ perfluoroalkyl,
- 11) O_a(C=O)_bNR¹²R¹³,
- 12) S(O)_mR^a,
- 13) S(O)₂NR¹²R¹³,
- 14) oxo,
- 15) CHO,
- 16) (N=O)R¹²R¹³,

17) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_a\text{O}_b\text{C}_3\text{-C}_8$ cycloalkyl, and

18) $-\text{OPO}(\text{OH})_2$;

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R^{11} ;

R^{11} is selected from:

- 1) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{10})$ alkyl,
- 2) $\text{O}_r(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3)$ perfluoroalkyl,
- 3) oxo,
- 4) OH,
- 5) halo,
- 6) CN,
- 7) $(\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{10})$ alkenyl,
- 8) $(\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{10})$ alkynyl,
- 9) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6)$ cycloalkyl,
- 10) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)$ alkylene-aryl,
- 11) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)$ alkylene-heterocyclyl,
- 12) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)$ alkylene- $\text{N}(\text{R}^b)_2$,
- 13) $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{R}^a$,
- 14) $(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)$ alkylene- CO_2R^a ,
- 15) $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{H}$,
- 16) $(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)$ alkylene- CO_2H ,
- 17) $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{N}(\text{R}^b)_2$,
- 18) $\text{S}(\text{O})_m\text{R}^a$,
- 19) $\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{N}(\text{R}^b)_2$, and
- 20) $-\text{OPO}(\text{OH})_2$;

said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkylene and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with up to three substituents selected from R^b , OH, $(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6)$ alkoxy, halogen, CO_2H , CN, $\text{O}(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl, oxo, and $\text{N}(\text{R}^b)_2$;

R^{12} and R^{13} are independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{O}_b\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{10}$ alkyl,
- 3) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{O}_b\text{C}_3\text{-C}_8$ cycloalkyl,

- 4) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{O}_b\text{aryl}$,
- 5) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{O}_b\text{heterocyclyl}$,
- 6) $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{10}$ alkyl,
- 7) aryl,
- 8) $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{10}$ alkenyl,
- 9) $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{10}$ alkynyl,
- 10) heterocyclyl,
- 11) $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_8$ cycloalkyl,
- 12) SO_2R^a , and
- 13) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{NR}^b_2$,

said alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, alkenyl, and alkynyl is optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R^{11} , or

R^{12} and R^{13} can be taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached to form a monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members in each ring and optionally containing, in addition to the nitrogen, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from N, O and S, said monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R^{11} ;

R^a is $(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6)\text{alkyl}$, $(\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6)\text{cycloalkyl}$, aryl, or heterocyclyl;

R^b is H, $(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6)\text{alkyl}$, aryl, heterocyclyl, $(\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6)\text{cycloalkyl}$, $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{OC}_1\text{-C}_6\text{ alkyl}$, $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{ alkyl}$ or $\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{R}^a$;

R^c and $\text{R}^{c'}$ are independently selected from: H, $(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6)\text{alkyl}$, aryl, heterocyclyl and $(\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6)\text{cycloalkyl}$; or

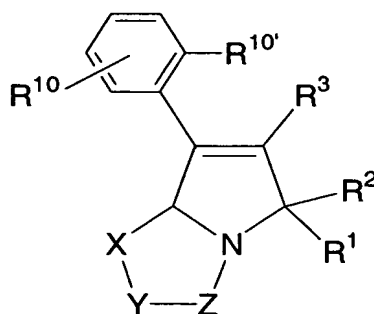
R^c and $\text{R}^{c'}$ can be taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached to form a monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members in each ring and optionally containing, in addition to the nitrogen, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from N, O and S, said monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R^{11} ;

R^d and $\text{R}^{d'}$ are independently selected from: $(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6)\text{alkyl}$, $(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6)\text{alkoxy}$ and NR^b_2 , or

R^d and $R^{d'}$ can be taken together with the phosphorous to which they are attached to form a monocyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members the ring and optionally containing, in addition to the phosphorous, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from NR^e , O and S, said monocyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R^{11} ; and

R^e is selected from: H and $(C_1-C_6)alkyl$.

3. (Original) The compound according to Claim 2 of Formula III:



III

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof, wherein

- a is 0 or 1;
- b is 0 or 1;
- m is 0, 1, or 2;
- r is 0 or 1;
- s is 0 or 1;

X is selected from $-CH_2-$ and $-CH_2CH_2-$;

Y is selected from: O, $N(R^c)$, S, $-CH(R^8)-$ and $-N(R^c)CH(R^8)-$;

Z is selected from: $-C(=O)-$, $-C(=S)-$, $-SO_2-$ and $-C(R^8)(R^9)-$,

R^1 is selected from:

- 1) aryl,
- 2) C_1-C_6 aralkyl,

3) C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl, and

4) heterocyclyl,

said aryl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹⁰;

R² and R³ are independently selected from:

1) H,

2) C₁-C₁₀ alkyl,

3) aryl,

4) C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl,

5) C₂-C₁₀ alkynyl,

6) C₁-C₆ perfluoroalkyl,

7) C₁-C₆ aralkyl,

8) C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl, and

9) heterocyclyl,

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹⁰;

R⁸ and R⁹ is independently selected from:

1) H,

2) (C=O)_aO_bC₁-C₁₀ alkyl,

3) CO₂H,

4) halo,

5) OH,

6) O_a(C=O)_bNR¹²R¹³, and

7) (C=O)_aO_bC₃-C₈ cycloalkyl,

said alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹¹;

R¹⁰ is independently selected from:

1) (C=O)_aO_bC₁-C₁₀ alkyl,

2) (C=O)_aO_baryl,

3) C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl,

4) C₂-C₁₀ alkynyl,

- 5) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_a\text{O}_b$ heterocyclyl,
- 6) CO_2H ,
- 7) halo,
- 8) CN ,
- 9) OH ,
- 10) $\text{O}_b\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ perfluoroalkyl,
- 11) $\text{O}_a(\text{C}=\text{O})_b\text{NR}^{12}\text{R}^{13}$,
- 12) $\text{S}(\text{O})_m\text{R}^a$,
- 13) $\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NR}^{12}\text{R}^{13}$,
- 14) oxo,
- 15) CHO ,
- 16) $(\text{N}=\text{O})\text{R}^{12}\text{R}^{13}$,
- 17) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_a\text{O}_b\text{C}_3\text{-C}_8$ cycloalkyl, and
- 18) $-\text{OPO}(\text{OH})_2$;

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R^{11} ;

$\text{R}^{10'}$ is halogen;

R^{11} is selected from:

- 1) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{10})\text{alkyl}$,
- 2) $\text{O}_r(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3)\text{perfluoroalkyl}$,
- 3) oxo,
- 4) OH ,
- 5) halo,
- 6) CN ,
- 7) $(\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{10})\text{alkenyl}$,
- 8) $(\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{10})\text{alkynyl}$,
- 9) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6)\text{cycloalkyl}$,
- 10) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)\text{alkylene-aryl}$,
- 11) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)\text{alkylene-heterocyclyl}$,
- 12) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)\text{alkylene-N}(\text{R}^b)_2$,
- 13) $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{R}^a$,
- 14) $(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)\text{alkylene-CO}_2\text{R}^a$,

- 15) C(O)H,
- 16) (C₀-C₆)alkylene-CO₂H,
- 17) C(O)N(R^b)₂,
- 18) S(O)_mR^a,
- 19) S(O)₂N(R^b)₂, and
- 20) -OPO(OH)₂;

said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with up to three substituents selected from R^b, OH, (C₁-C₆)alkoxy, halogen, CO₂H, CN, O(C=O)C₁-C₆ alkyl, oxo, and N(R^b)₂;

R¹² and R¹³ are independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) (C=O)O_bC₁-C₁₀ alkyl,
- 3) (C=O)O_bC₃-C₈ cycloalkyl,
- 4) (C=O)O_baryl,
- 5) (C=O)O_bheterocyclyl,
- 6) C₁-C₁₀ alkyl,
- 7) aryl,
- 8) C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl,
- 9) C₂-C₁₀ alkynyl,
- 10) heterocyclyl,
- 11) C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl,
- 12) SO₂R^a, and
- 13) (C=O)NR^b₂,

said alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, alkenyl, and alkynyl is optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹, or R¹² and R¹³ can be taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached to form a monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members in each ring and optionally containing, in addition to the nitrogen, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from N, O and S, said monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹;

R^a is (C₁-C₆)alkyl, (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl, aryl, or heterocyclyl;

R^b is H, (C₁-C₆)alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl, (C=O)OC₁-C₆ alkyl, (C=O)C₁-C₆ alkyl or S(O)₂R^a;

R^c and R^{c'} are independently selected from: H, (C₁-C₆)alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl and (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl; or

R^c and R^{c'} can be taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached to form a monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members in each ring and optionally containing, in addition to the nitrogen, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from N, O and S, said monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹;

R^d and R^{d'} are independently selected from: (C₁-C₆)alkyl, (C₁-C₆)alkoxy and NR^b₂, or

R^d and R^{d'} can be taken together with the phosphorous to which they are attached to form a monocyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members the ring and optionally containing, in addition to the phosphorous, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from NR^e, O and S, said monocyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹; and R^e is selected from: H and (C₁-C₆)alkyl.

4. (Original) The compound according to Claim 3 of the Formula III, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof, wherein:

X is selected from -CH₂- and -CH₂CH₂-;

Y is selected from: O, N(R^c), -CH(R⁸)- and -N(R^c)CH(R⁸)-;

Z is selected from: -C(=O)- and -SO₂-;

R¹ is selected from:

- 1) aryl, and
- 2) heteroaryl,

said aryl and heteroaryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹⁰;

R² and R³ are independently selected from:

- 1) H, and
- 2) C₁-C₁₀ alkyl,

said alkyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹⁰; and

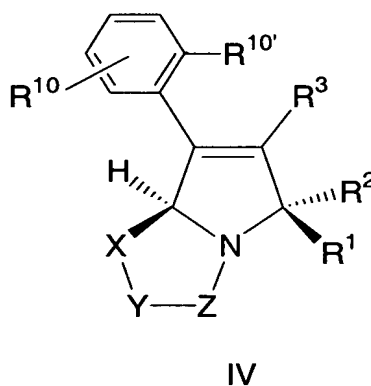
R^8 and R^9 is independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) C_1 - C_{10} alkyl,
- 3) OH,
- 4) $NR^{12}R^{13}$, and
- 5) C_3 - C_8 cycloalkyl,

said alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R^{11} ;

X, Y, Z, R^{10} , $R^{10'}$, R^{11} , R^{12} , R^{13} , R^a , R^b , R^c and $R^{c'}$ are as described in Claim 3.

5. (Original) The compound according to Claim 4 of the Formula IV,



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof, wherein

- a is 0 or 1;
 b is 0 or 1;
 m is 0, 1, or 2;
 r is 0 or 1;
 s is 0 or 1;

X is selected from $-CH_2-$ and $-CH_2CH_2-$;

Y is selected from: O, $N(R^c)$, S, $-CH(R^8)-$ and $-N(R^c)CH(R^8)-$;

Z is selected from: $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-$ and $-\text{SO}_2-$;

R¹ is selected from:

- 1) aryl,
- 2) C₁-C₆ aralkyl,
- 3) C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl, and
- 4) heterocyclyl,

said aryl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹⁰;

R² is independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) C₁-C₁₀ alkyl,
- 3) aryl,
- 4) C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl,
- 5) C₂-C₁₀ alkynyl,
- 6) C₁-C₆ perfluoroalkyl,
- 7) C₁-C₆ aralkyl,
- 8) C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl, and
- 9) heterocyclyl,

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹⁰;

R³ is H;

R⁸ is independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_a\text{O}_b\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{10}$ alkyl,
- 3) CO_2H ,
- 4) halo,
- 5) OH,
- 6) $\text{O}_a(\text{C}=\text{O})_b\text{NR}^{12}\text{R}^{13}$, and
- 7) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_a\text{O}_b\text{C}_3\text{-C}_8$ cycloalkyl,

said alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R¹¹;

R¹⁰ is independently selected from:

- 1) (C=O)_aO_bC₁-C₁₀ alkyl,
- 2) (C=O)_aO_baryl,
- 3) C₂-C₁₀ alkenyl,
- 4) C₂-C₁₀ alkynyl,
- 5) (C=O)_aO_b heterocyclyl,
- 6) CO₂H,
- 7) halo,
- 8) CN,
- 9) OH,
- 10) O_bC₁-C₆ perfluoroalkyl,
- 11) O_a(C=O)_bNR¹²R¹³,
- 12) S(O)_mR^a,
- 13) S(O)₂NR¹²R¹³,
- 14) oxo,
- 15) CHO,
- 16) (N=O)R¹²R¹³,
- 17) (C=O)_aO_bC₃-C₈ cycloalkyl, and
- 18) -OPO(OH)₂;

said alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heterocyclyl, and cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹;

R^{10'} is halogen;

R¹¹ is selected from:

- 1) (C=O)_rO_s(C₁-C₁₀)alkyl,
- 2) O_r(C₁-C₃)perfluoroalkyl,
- 3) oxo,
- 4) OH,
- 5) halo,
- 6) CN,
- 7) (C₂-C₁₀)alkenyl,
- 8) (C₂-C₁₀)alkynyl,
- 9) (C=O)_rO_s(C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl,

- 10) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)\text{alkylene-aryl}$,
- 11) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)\text{alkylene-heterocyclyl}$,
- 12) $(\text{C}=\text{O})_r\text{O}_s(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)\text{alkylene-N(R}^b)_2$,
- 13) C(O)R^a ,
- 14) $(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)\text{alkylene-CO}_2\text{R}^a$,
- 15) C(O)H ,
- 16) $(\text{C}_0\text{-C}_6)\text{alkylene-CO}_2\text{H}$,
- 17) $\text{C(O)N(R}^b)_2$,
- 18) $\text{S(O)}_m\text{R}^a$,
- 19) $\text{S(O)}_2\text{N(R}^b)_2$, and
- 20) $-\text{OPO(OH)}_2$;

said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, and heterocyclyl is optionally substituted with up to three substituents selected from R^b , OH, $(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6)\text{alkoxy}$, halogen, CO_2H , CN, $\text{O}(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{ alkyl}$, oxo, and $\text{N(R}^b)_2$;

R^{12} and R^{13} are independently selected from:

- 1) H,
- 2) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{O}_b\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{10}\text{ alkyl}$,
- 3) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{O}_b\text{C}_3\text{-C}_8\text{ cycloalkyl}$,
- 4) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{O}_b\text{aryl}$,
- 5) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{O}_b\text{heterocyclyl}$,
- 6) $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{10}\text{ alkyl}$,
- 7) aryl,
- 8) $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{10}\text{ alkenyl}$,
- 9) $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{10}\text{ alkynyl}$,
- 10) heterocyclyl,
- 11) $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_8\text{ cycloalkyl}$,
- 12) SO_2R^a , and
- 13) $(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{NR}^b_2$,

said alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, alkenyl, and alkynyl is optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R^{11} , or

R^{12} and R^{13} can be taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached to form a monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members in each ring and optionally containing, in addition to the

nitrogen, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from N, O and S, said monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹;

R^a is (C₁-C₆)alkyl, (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl, aryl, or heterocyclyl;

R^b is H, (C₁-C₆)alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl, (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl, (C=O)OC₁-C₆ alkyl, (C=O)C₁-C₆ alkyl or S(O)₂R^a;

R^c and R^{c'} are independently selected from: H, (C₁-C₆)alkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl and (C₃-C₆)cycloalkyl; or

R^c and R^{c'} can be taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached to form a monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members in each ring and optionally containing, in addition to the nitrogen, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from N, O and S, said monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹;

R^d and R^{d'} are independently selected from: (C₁-C₆)alkyl, (C₁-C₆)alkoxy and NR^b₂, or

R^d and R^{d'} can be taken together with the phosphorous to which they are attached to form a monocyclic heterocycle with 5-7 members the ring and optionally containing, in addition to the phosphorous, one or two additional heteroatoms selected from NR^e, O and S, said monocyclic heterocycle optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from R¹¹; and

R^e is selected from: H and (C₁-C₆)alkyl.

6. (Original) A compound selected from:

(±)-(5*S*,7*aR* and 5*R*,7*aS*)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)- 5-phenyl-2,7*a*-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole[1,2-*c*][1,3]oxazol-3-one;

(±)-(5*S*,7*aS* and 5*R*,7*aR*)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)- 5-phenyl-2,7*a*-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole[1,2-*c*][1,3]oxazol-3-one;

(±)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-1,2,5,7*a*-tetrahydro-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*c*]imidazol-3-one;

(±)-(5*S*,7*aR*)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-2-methyl-5-phenyl-1,2,5,7*a*-tetrahydro-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*c*]imidazol-3-one;

(±)-(5*S*,7*aR*)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-2-ethyl-5-phenyl-1,2,5,7*a*-tetrahydro-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*c*]imidazol-3-one;

(±)-(5*S*,7*aR*)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-2-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-5-phenyl-1,2,5,7*a*-tetrahydro-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*c*]imidazol-3-one;

(±)-(5*S*,7*aR*)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-2-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-5-phenyl-1,2,5,7*a*-tetrahydro-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*c*]imidazol-3-one;

(±)-(5*S*,7*aR*)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-2-cyclopropyl-5-phenyl-1,2,5,7*a*-tetrahydro-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*c*]imidazol-3-one;

(±)-(2*S*,5*R* and 2*R*,5*S*)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-1,2,5,7*a*-tetrahydro-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*a*]pyrazin-4(1*H*)-one;

(±)-(2*S*,5*S* and 2*R*,5*R*)-7-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-1,2,5,7*a*-tetrahydro-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*a*]pyrazin-4(1*H*)-one

(±)-(6*S*,8*aR* and 6*R*,8*aS*)-8-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-2-methyl-6-phenyl-2,3,6,8*a*-tetrahydropyrrolo[1,2-*a*]pyrazin-4(1*H*)-one; and

(±)-(6*S*,8*aR* and 6*R*,8*aS*)-8-(2,5-Difluorophenyl)-6-phenyl-1,2,6,8*a*-tetrahydropyrrolo [1,2-*a*]pyrazin-3(4*H*)-one;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof.

7. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition that is comprised of a compound in accordance with Claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

8. (Original) A method of treating or preventing cancer in a mammal in need of such treatment that is comprised of administering to said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of Claim 1.

9. (Original) A method of treating cancer or preventing cancer in accordance with Claim 8 wherein the cancer is selected from cancers of the brain, genitourinary tract, lymphatic system, stomach, larynx and lung.

10. (Original) A method of treating or preventing cancer in accordance with Claim 8 wherein the cancer is selected from histiocytic lymphoma, lung adenocarcinoma, small cell lung cancers, pancreatic cancer, glioblastomas and breast carcinoma.

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21. (Original) A method of treating or preventing cancer that comprises administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of Claim 1 in combination with a compound selected from:

- 1) an estrogen receptor modulator,
- 2) an androgen receptor modulator,
- 3) a retinoid receptor modulator,

- 4) a cytotoxic/cytostatic agent,
- 5) an antiproliferative agent,
- 6) a prenyl-protein transferase inhibitor,
- 7) an HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor,
- 8) an HIV protease inhibitor,
- 9) a reverse transcriptase inhibitor,
- 10) an angiogenesis inhibitor,
- 11) PPAR- γ agonists,
- 12) PPAR- δ agonists,
- 13) an inhibitor of inherent multidrug resistance,
- 14) an anti-emetic agent,
- 15) an agent useful in the treatment of anemia,
- 16) an agent useful in the treatment of neutropenia,
- 17) an immunologic-enhancing drug,
- 18) an inhibitor of cell proliferation and survival signaling, and
- 19) an agent that interferes with a cell cycle checkpoint.

22. (Original) A method of treating cancer that comprises administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of Claim 1 in combination with radiation therapy and a compound selected from:

- 1) an estrogen receptor modulator,
- 2) an androgen receptor modulator,
- 3) a retinoid receptor modulator,
- 4) a cytotoxic/cytostatic agent,
- 5) an antiproliferative agent,
- 6) a prenyl-protein transferase inhibitor,
- 7) an HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor,
- 8) an HIV protease inhibitor,
- 9) a reverse transcriptase inhibitor,
- 10) an angiogenesis inhibitor,
- 11) PPAR- γ agonists,
- 12) PPAR- δ agonists,
- 13) an inhibitor of inherent multidrug resistance,
- 14) an anti-emetic agent,
- 15) an agent useful in the treatment of anemia,

- 16) an agent useful in the treatment of neutropenia,
- 17) an immunologic-enhancing drug,
- 18) an inhibitor of cell proliferation and survival signaling, and
- 19) an agent that interferes with a cell cycle checkpoint.

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32. (Original) A method of modulating mitotic spindle formation which comprises administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of Claim 1.

33. (Original) A method of inhibiting the mitotic kinesin KSP which comprises administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of Claim 1.